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Title	:	STENT WITH IMPROVED DRUG LOADING CAPACITY		

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page four (4) of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page six (6) of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).

Remarks/Arguments begin on page seven (7) of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page nine (9) of this paper.